Disposal of Solid Waste

430. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether incentives are being offered for disposal of solid waste in developed as well developing countries, whereas in India the same is not being offered;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering the present scenario of environmental costs and social costs involved especially in Metropolitan towns in the country;

(c) the expenditure, including cost of land, being incurred per tonne on disposal of solid-waste by four metropolitan cities; and

(d) how much is the capital cost and O&M cost/tonne for disposal of municipal solid waste out of the said cost?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) This Ministry is not aware of any incentives being offered for disposal of solid waste in developed as well as developing countries.

(b) There is no such proposal under consideration of this Ministry.

(c) and (d) Since solid waste management is a State subject, information on physical and financial aspects of solid waste management in urban areas, is not being monitored by this Ministry. However, as per available information, the annual O&M expenditure incurred on solid waste management by the four metropolitan cities is given below:—

Chennai	— Rs. 70 crores	Calcutta	— Rs. 114 crores
Delhi	— Rs. 215.55 crores (tentative)	Mumbai	— Rs. 380 crores

Municipal Corporation of Delhi has further reported that the cost of disposal of solid waste has been calculated @ Rs. 97 per metric tonne approximately, excluding the cost of land and transportation. Land is being provided free of cost for landfilling. The approximate capital and O&M cost/tonne has been worked out at Rs. 22.5 and Rs. 74.5 respectively.

Issue of NOCs by DOP

431. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of NOCs have been issued by the Directorate of Printing to various Government Departments to get their jobs printed/executed from the Private Printers; and

(b) if so, the details of all such NOCs which were issued to various Government Departments during the period from January, 1994 to December, 1999?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, the number of NOCs issued by the Directorate of Printing to various Government Departments to get their jobs printed/executed from the Private Printers constitute about 1% of the total jobs received for printing in the various Government of India Presses during the period from January, 1994 to December, 1999.

Purchase of Excess Printing Paper by DOP

432. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Directorate of Printing had purchased a huge quantity of printing paper worth crores of rupees during the period from January, 1991 to December, 1997 far in excess of the requirements of various Government Presses; and

(b) if so, the total quantity of paper purchased during the said period and the names of the suppliers firms/companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Model Act for all Municipal Corporation

433. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA SITARAM PRADHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are in the process of preparation of a Model—Act